



## Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 12/06/2011	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0800	3. Citation/ Order Number 8250013
4. Served To Berman Cornett (Safety Director)		5. Operator Performance Coal Company, et al.
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH		7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)
8. Condition or Practice		

8a. Written Notice (103g) ☐

The fire suppression system on the Joy longwall shearer being used on the Headgate 21 longwall section (MMU 050) was not being visually inspected at least once each week. Obvious deficiencies that would prevent the fire suppression system from being activated were present. The Shearer has been cited for accumulations of coal, grease and oil in citation #4900481. These deficiencies would have been observed if an effective examination had been performed. There is no record of any examination of the fire suppression system being performed on the shearer since it was put into service on the Headgate 21 panel. The operator has engaged in aggravated conduct constituting more than ordinary negligence. This is an unwarrantable failure to comply with a mandatory standard.

See Continuation Form (MSHA Form 7000-3a) ☒

9. Violation	A. Health <input type="checkbox"/> Safety <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Section of Act	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.1107-16(a)
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## Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:			
A. Injury or Illness (has) (is): No Likelihood <input type="checkbox"/> Unlikely <input type="checkbox"/> Reasonably Likely <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Highly Likely <input type="checkbox"/> Occurred <input type="checkbox"/>			
B. Injury or illness could reasonably be expected to be: No Lost Workdays <input type="checkbox"/> Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty <input type="checkbox"/> Permanently Disabling <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fatal <input type="checkbox"/>			
C. Significant and Substantial: Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>			D. Number of Persons Affected: 004
11. Negligence (check one) A. None <input type="checkbox"/> B. Low <input type="checkbox"/> C. Moderate <input type="checkbox"/> D. High <input type="checkbox"/> E. Reckless Disregard <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
12. Type of Action 104(d)(2)		13. Type of Issuance (check one) Citation <input type="checkbox"/> Order <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/> Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>	
14. Initial Action A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/> B. Order <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/> D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>		E. Citation/ Order Number 8082692	F. Dated Mo Da Yr 03/17/2009
15. Area or Equipment The Longwall shearer and HG 21 Longwall section.			

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock)
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## Section III--Termination Action

17. Action to Terminate		
18. Terminated	A. Date Mo Da Yr	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock)

## Section IV--Automated System Data

19. Type of Inspection (activity code) E16	20. Event Number 4440348	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature Keith McElroy		23. AR Number 24153

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Mine Citation/Order  
Continuation

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action 1a. Continuation <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) Mo Da Yr 12/06/2011	3. Citation/ Order Number 8250013
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Section II--Justification for Action

Continuation of 8. Condition or Practice

This violation is a flagrant violation.

This citation is being issued to the following entities as a unitary operator: Performance Coal Company, Massey Coal services, Inc., A.T. Massey Coal Company, Inc., and Massey Energy Company.

See Continuation Form ☐

Section III--Subsequent Action Taken

8. Extended To	A. Date Mo Da Yr	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock)	<input type="checkbox"/> C. Vacated	<input type="checkbox"/> D. Terminated	<input type="checkbox"/> E. Modified
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Section IV--Inspection Data

9. Type of Inspection E16	10. Event Number 4440348		
11. Signature Keith McElroy	AR Number 24153	12. Date Mo Da Yr 12/06/2011	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0800